

## What to Know About Protecting Myzelf and Others from Disease: A General Communicable Disease Overview

(for Home Health Nurses and Social Workers)

Satellite Conference and Live Webcast Tuesday, April 22, 2014, 2:00-4:00 p.m. (Central Time)

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## Program Objectives:

- 1. Define the DETECT, TEST and Report campaign.
- 2. Identify reportable conditions, who should report, time frame to report and ways to report.
- 3. Identify the most accurate diagnosis, testing, treatment, and reporting of notifiable diseases.
- 4. Describe how to locate basic disease information.
- 5. Describe general communicable diseases and the ways to prevent infection.
- 6. Verbalize where to find the tools and information available regarding disease information.

The prevention and management of disease transmission is vital to the overall health of Alabama citizens. And in the healthcare setting there are many opportunities for communicable diseases to be transmitted from one individual to another. There is a chain of events that applies to infections. The chain of events involves several steps—which include the infectious agent, reservoir, entering a susceptible host, exit and transmission to new hosts. This is why it is imperative that health care workers protect themselves when providing care for patients.

Many of these diseases can have life-long impacts. One of the ways to prevent or slow down the transmission of infectious diseases is to recognize the different characteristics of various diseases. Program faculty will explore standard precautions and infectious disease prevention. The DETECT, TEST, and REPORT program, reporting requirements, and treatment options for notifiable diseases will also be discussed.

## Conference Details:

**Target Audience:** Home care nurses, social workers and other professionals who work with home health patients **Continuing Education:** Nurses 1.8 hours, social workers 1.8 hours

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